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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM BREZHNEV TO TRUDEAU

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- 1. UK HAS RECEIVED NO RECENT MESSAGES FROM BREZHNEV SIMILAR TO THAT RECEIVED BY TRUDEAU. HOWEVER, FCO OFFICIALS TELL US THEY HAVE HAD COMMUNICATIONS IN THE PAST WHICH SHOWED THE SAME SOVIET SENSITIVITY TO BEING LEFT OUT OF KEY INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC DISCUSSIONS. MOST STRIKING IN ITS SIMILARITY IS A BREZHNEV TO WILSON LETTER OF LATE L975. OSTENSIBLY DEALING WITH BILATERAL MATTERS, THE LETTER CONTAINED CONSIDERABLE INDIRECT CRITICISM OF RAMBOUILLET AND CIEC MEETINGS. WE UNDERSTAND LETTER EXPRESSED THE THOUGHT THAT IT WAS "HARDLY REALISTIC" TO SEEK ECONOMIC SOLUTIONS IN MEETINGS WHICH WERE "UNJUSTIFIABLY LIMITED" IN THEIR REPRESENTATION. THIS LANGUAGE IS CLEARLY VERY CLOSE TO THAT USED IN THE BREZHNEV TRUDEAU LETTER.
- 2. FCO RECORDS INDICATE THAT THE GENERAL CONTENTS OF THE BREZHNEV WILSON LETTER WERE PASSED ON TO SONNEN-FELDT BY THE BRITISH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON DURING THE SECOND WEEK OF FEBRUARY THIS YEAR.

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